

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. (Original) A glove apparatus comprising: a flexible hand enclosure, the hand enclosure defining a palmer portion and a, at least one, finger portion, the palmer portion having a base layer positioned for contact with a palm of a human hand; a topper layer of the palmer portion fixedly engaged over the base layer; a resilient pad engaged between the base layer and the  
10 topper layer and bifurcated by an approximately linear stitching extending across the palmer portion in correspondence to the lateral fold in the palm of the human hand.
2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the linear stitching is positioned over the distal transverse crease of the human hand.
- 15 3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the at least one finger portion of the glove apparatus includes a middle finger portion, the middle finger portion providing a first reinforcing layer fixedly positioned over the middle finger portion and extensive so as to cover at least a medial portion of the middle finger adjacent an index finger.
- 20 4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 3 further comprising a thumb portion; the thumb portion providing a second reinforcing layer fixedly positioned over at least a palmer side of the thumb portion.
- 25 5. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising a thumb portion; the thumb portion providing a second reinforcing layer fixedly positioned over at least a palmer side of the thumb portion.
- 30 6. (Original) A glove apparatus for a human hand, the glove apparatus comprising: a flexible hand enclosure defining a palmer portion and plural finger portions extensive therefrom, the finger and palmer portions configured for placement of a base layer of the palmer portion in contact with a palm of the human hand when the finger portions are fully engaged with fingers  
35 of the human hand; a topper layer of the palmer portion fixedly engaged over the base layer; a resilient pad engaged between the base layer and the topper layer; the resilient pad bifurcated by an approximately linear stitching extending across the palmer portion, the linear stitching positioned in correspondence to the lateral fold in the palm of the human hand.

7. (Original) The apparatus of claim 6 wherein the linear stitching is positioned over the distal transverse crease of the human hand.

5 8. (Original) The apparatus of claim 6 wherein the finger portions of the glove apparatus include a middle finger portion, the middle finger portion providing a first reinforcing layer fixedly positioned over the middle finger portion and extensive so as to cover at least a medial portion of the middle finger adjacent an index finger.

10 9. (Original) The apparatus of claim 6 further comprising a thumb portion; the thumb portion providing a second reinforcing layer fixedly positioned over at least a palmer side of the thumb portion.

15 10. (Original) An apparatus for at least partially covering a hand comprising: a palmer portion having a topper layer fixed over a base layer with a resilient pad therebetween; a linear stitching parting the resilient pad and extensive across the palmer portion and corresponding to a distal transverse crease of the human hand.

11. (Original) The apparatus of claim 10 further comprising a first reinforcing layer over a middle finger portion of the apparatus.

12. (Original) The apparatus of claim 10 further comprising a second reinforcing layer over a thumb portion of the apparatus.

5 13. (Original) The apparatus of claim 10 wherein the topper layer is extensive from the resilient pad toward a wrist of the human hand.

14. (New) The apparatus of claim 10 wherein the topper layer of the resilient memory foam pad covered by a fixed layer with linear stitchings corresponding to the lateral fold, as well as a distal transverse crease of the human hand designed to absorb/dissipate recoil, and vibrational shock generated by discharge of firearms, or other vibration generating apparatus, prior to recoil or vibration energy reaching forearms, shoulders, or torso of operator by means of an ergonomically convex structure designed to fill the void of the concave cavity of the human hand when in a partial fist-like semi-open/semi-closed posture assumed when holding and firing a firearm, or other such recoil/vibration generating apparatus.